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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION WITH REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008, setting a one-month term for reply, *i.e.*, to September 20, 2008.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I, *i.e.*, claims 1, 2, and 68-72, and the species of tubulysin A methyl ester.